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## **MEDIA ADVISORY**

## Super Spring Sweep Thing 8 Mayor kicks off 15<sup>th</sup> city-wide cleanup at Sisson Street Sanitation Yard

<u>Mayor Sheila Dixon will kick off Super Spring Sweep Thing 8 on Saturday, April 21, 2007 at 8:00 a.m. at 2840 Sisson Street.</u> As of today, 250 community organizations and 5,000 volunteers are geared up to clean up their neighborhoods across Baltimore City.

For Super Spring Sweep Thing 8, Baltimore City government is leading by example by cleaning up and freshening up around its own facilities and we invite Baltimore neighborhoods to join in for a good old-fashioned spring cleaning of community areas of concern. DPW is providing community groups with gloves, brooms, rakes and shovels for the cleaning effort and will remove the accumulated debris. At the Sisson Street Yard, new paint and a new emphasis on keeping this facility and others like it clean throughout the year will be highlighted by Mayor Dixon.

Among the many volunteer/community groups participating this year are the National Aquarium with 150 participants, the Evergreen Protective Association and Reservoir Hill with 100 volunteers each, and Rosedale and Greater Greektown with 50 participants each. The Departments of Health, Housing, Transportation and Recreation and Parks are joining Public Works in assisting neighborhoods across Baltimore throughout the day.

Public Works Director George L. Winfield stated, "Our facilities and yards are part of surrounding neighborhoods and need to reflect the cleanliness of the communities they serve. Leading by example we hope to encourage every part of Baltimore to become clean and green."



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